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they mean to take any action or make any decision, in regard to the memorial submitted by the majority of the members of the last session of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly, praying for the appointment of a Committee to enquire into the occurrences of the 5th Kanni, 1097, within the College premises?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether their opinion regarding the occurrences of the 5th Kanni, expressed by the Dewan in his opening address to the eighteenth session of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly, that "*a certain section* of the vernacular press has been keeping the agitation going, and insistent demands have been made from certain quarters for the appointment of a Committee of enquiry", has undergone any change after the majority of the members of the Popular Assembly coming from the various parts of the country had submitted their memorial?

(*c*) Are the Government aware that the attitude of the Police towards the people has undergone a great change, since the occurrences of the 5th Kanni?

(*d*) If the Government are aware of the fact, do they not think that an enquiry by a Committee would change this attitude of the Police and restore matters to their old condition?

(*e*) Has it come to the notice of Government that certain respectable persons are being harassed in many ways by the Police under the impression that they helped the students in the days of the students' strike? If it has, will the matter receive the kind attention of Government?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: (*a*) The member is referred to the answer to interpellation No. 23 (*a*).

(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

(*d*) This does not arise, in view of the answer to part (*c*).

(*e*) The answer is in the negative.

WATER-SUPPLY SCHEME FOR TRIVANDRUM.

26. MR. M. NILAKANDA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have taken any action on the water-supply scheme for the town of Trivandrum submitted by the special officer appointed for the purpose and will the Government be pleased to state whether they intend taking early steps for the introduction of water-supply in Trivandrum considering the urgency and importance of the matter?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: Government are not yet in possession of the plans explanatory of the report. The consideration of the report has to await their receipt.

MR. M. NILAKANDA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state what the estimated cost of the scheme is and what the reasons are for not taking it up now? Considering the importance of the matter, can they not raise a loan to meet the initial outlay?

PRESIDENT: You may put a question for getting information. But you are arguing now.

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